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SUBJECT: NIGERIAN AIR FORCE COMMANDER VISIT
TO SOVIET UNION

REF: DAO LAGOS IR 6 871 134 74 AND PREVIOUS

1. NIGERIAN CHIEF OF AIR STAFF BRIGADIER EMMANUEL IKWUE
DEPARTED FOR MOSCOW ON AUGUST 18, REPORTEDLY TO FINALIZE
CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS ON RECENT PURCHASES OF MIG-21
AIRCRAFT AND SUPPORTING RADAR AND OTHER GROUND EQUIPMENT.
ENROUTE HOME, IKWUE WILL ATTEND FARNBOROUGH AIR SHOW
IN UK.

2. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH EMBASSY AIR ATTACHE (REF IR),
SEVERAL SENIOR NIGERIAN AIR FORCE OFFICERS HAVE EXPRESSED
UNHAPPINESS OVER MIG PURCHASE, BOTH BECAUSE OF
PREFERENCE FOR US F-5 AND DISLIKE OF ATTENDING
TRAINING COURSES IN USSR DUE TO UNSATISFACTORY LIVING
AND WORKING CONDITIONS. SUCH DISSATISFACTION, HOWEVER,

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PREDATED THIS AGREEMENT AND IS THUS UNLIKELY TO AFFECT

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